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(c) Medical certificates should accompany the applications to the Madras Services Commission only (1) in respect of posts for which physical measurements are prescribed in the statutory rules or are required by appointing authorities and (2) for posts in the Madras Ministerial Service. The Government have decided as an experimental measure that in respect of the latter posts medical certificates should be produced after the selection of candidates by the Madras Services Commission.

(d)—

	RS.	A.	P.
Provincial Services	16	0	0
Subordinate Services other than the Madras Ministerial Service	7	8	0
Madras Ministerial service	5	0	0

(e) The Government have no information.

Mr. M. S. SRESHTA:—"Will the Government consider the desirability of fixing a period within which the results of the selection should be notified to the public?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"The results of the selection by the Services Commission are usually published as early as possible. If the hon. Member will inform me if there had been any considerable delay on the part of the Commission in any case, I will consider the suggestion."

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—"Are the Government aware of the result of the selection to the Sub-Registrar's cadre was not published for more than six months?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"I must ask for notice of the question."

Electricity

Supply of electricity from Pykara.

* 367 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether supply of electricity from Pykara has been commenced;

(b) if so, to which places the supply is made from there now and what the rate charged per unit is; and

(c) when the town of Salem is likely to get connexion from Pykara; and

(d) whether there are proposals to reduce the rate of charges per unit of electric current consumed at Salem after the Pykara current is introduced into Salem?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The following places receive supply from Pykara:—

The towns of Ootacamund and Coonoor and the tea estates of Devarshola, Prospect, Parkside, Ibex and Nonsuch, Bhavani and Glendale in the Nilgiri district.

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The towns of Mettupalaiyam, Karamadai, Coimbatore, Pollachi, Tiruppur, Bhavani and Erode in the Coimbatore district and the tea estates of Kallyar, Akkamalais, Karimalai, Vellamalai and Pachamalai in the Anamalais.

The town of Salem in the Salem district.

The town of Palghat in the Malabar district.

The standard rates prescribed for the supply of Pykara power (except in Salem and Erode) are appended.[a] The rates charged for Salem and Erode are given in clauses 18 and 19 of the power agreement executed by the licensees under the Salem and Erode Electric Licence, 1931, published on pages 34–60 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th January 1931.

(*c*) Supply was given to Salem town from Pykara on 2nd April 1933.

(*d*) The Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem, has represented that since Salem is now getting Pykara power, the rates charged by the licensees may be reduced. The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" With reference to answer (*d*) may I ask when orders are likely to be passed? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—" I cannot say. In fact the Government are considering the question and there is correspondence going on between the company concerned and the Government; I am not in a position now to say when the order will be passed."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. RATNASABHAPATI MUDALIYAR:—" It is stated in answer (*b*) that the rates charged for Salem and Erode are given in clauses 18 and 19 of the power agreement executed by the licensees. Those rates were fixed for the mechanical power, generated by the installation of engines. May I know whether those rates would not be subject to alteration when the scheme is tacked on to the Pykara scheme? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—" It is for that reason that the Government are considering the rate with reference to Salem now."

Mr. T. S. RAMASWAMI AYYAR:—" May I know if the Government think it is possible to supply current to Madras from Pykara, or should Madras wait for the Mettur scheme? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—" It is not possible to supply current from Pykara to Madras. It is hoped that the Government will be able to supply current to Madras when the Mettur scheme matures."

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Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar:—" In view of the fact that Salem and Erode are tacked on to the Pykara scheme, will the Government adopt the same policy they adopted with regard to the municipalities in connexion with the granting of licence?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" In this particular case, licence has been given to a private body."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar:—" Now that the scheme has been altered, will there be a change in the policy of the Government also?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" I have already answered my hon. Friend's question. It is for that identical reason that the Government are now considering whether it is possible to change the rate with regard to Salem."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan:—" May I ask when the Government will be able to supply electricity to Madras City from Mettur?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" As I said, it is not possible to say that now. Even the estimates for the Mettur Scheme are not ready. After the estimates are received from the Chief Engineer, funds have to be provided and then the sanction of the Secretary of State has to be obtained; then the scheme has to be put into operation."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I ask whether no estimates were prepared at any time and whether no scheme was before the Government with regard to the production of energy from Mettur?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" There is a general proposal for producing energy from Mettur. Details have not been worked out."

Mr. T. S. Ramaswami Ayyar:—" In view of the fact that the Mettur Scheme is not likely to fructify in the near future, will the Government consider the desirability of getting current from Pykara, if it is possible to do so?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" It is commercially impossible, according to experts, to bring current from Pykara to Madras."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar:—" It is proposed to change the rates. May I know if there is any decision to change the licence also and to adopt a uniform policy?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—" I am afraid, not."

Hydro-electric scheme, Mettur.

* 368 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the hydro-electric scheme at Mettur is likely to be finished;